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For: RIGID EXTRACTOR

Attorney Docket No: 10922/63 (PA-5355-RFB)

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Attached are:

☒ Response to Non-Final Office Action mailed October 6, 2006 (13 pages), Second Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement (2 pages), PTO-1449 (1 page), Copies of Required References (C11-12)

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Respectfully submitted,

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